GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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SUPPLY OF LPG IN REMOTE AREAS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the supply of LPG in remote areas is sufficient as per demand at present ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ; and (

(c) the steps being taken by the Government to supply LPG as per demand in the villages and remote areas in the near future ?

Answer

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PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (c) : At present, LPG connections are available on demand in all the existing LPG markets of the country including rural areas. To cater to the needs of rural areas, Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) have the plans to set up more than 1,400 urban / rural distributorships and more than 1,200 exclusively rural distributorships, including 707 locations identified at Block / Tehsil / Taluka level. OMCs have also recently launched 5 K.G. cylinders in some rural / hilly markets on a trial basis, these small size cylinders are convenient to transport and would be affordable for the low income groups.